

Pyeong Yang, Korea.  
Feb. 3, 1902

My Dear Sister Jennie:

Your letter you wrote at home Dec. 26. received Saturday evening and one from Ella and Essa. I am always delighted to get letters from any of the home folks. Dear old Mother; it is so sad to think of her being as she is. I am glad if she don't suffer pain and if she can rest and sleep. What a comfort to you girls that you can go home and care for her. Oh! what would I give if I could only take my turn. I think of you all so much these cold days, how you have to drive back and forth through the cold. I only wish I had a chance to take a drive. I think I would not stop if the mercury was down below zero. I doubt if you had as cold tracks as we did. It was 26° below zero here for over a week. Not all the time but cold of course but below zero all the time going down 2, 20, 24, & 26.

What a pity your plants froze. They were  
so beautiful. Now if mine had frozen it  
would have been no loss for they are  
<sup>only</sup> scraggly slips, however they do  
make the room look cheerful and  
are doing very well. We were  
almost surprised that our house kept  
so warm with so little fuel and the  
cellar did not freeze at all. It paid  
us for having it so thoroughly gone  
over in the fall and all the  
cracks stuffed. All the windows  
and doors we can close conveniently -  
we fasten up tight and it does keep  
out such a lot of cold.

We are glad to have the weather  
moderate yet - while it was so cold  
we were free from colds, Well has  
such a bad cold, it has hung on for  
almost two weeks, Gertrude has  
some cold this morning in her head.  
My rheumatism is much better  
and I feel quite myself again.  
The Docs say there is a great deal  
of sickness among the Romans

No doubt from so much exposure.  
We will welcome Spring when it  
comes and how soon it will be here.  
Time is surely on wings it goes so  
fast. My days are so full they pass  
before I know it and I have  
accomplished so little.

Since the training class closed  
which Will is at home I have  
had all of our stations at  
different times I take dinner or  
supper with us and part of the  
Methodists; I have invited the rest  
of the M. E. Mr. & Mrs. both. D. G. Gill  
and Mr. Morris for tomorrow.

Will & Mrs. Hunt expect to leave  
Thursday morning for Sign Church  
I hope Will be entirely over his cold  
by that time. Today I must begin  
to get his clothes in order and all  
other necessary things ready.

How I wish I could take the children & come  
home while he is away. It is not so  
pleasant staying alone however I have  
planned for a lot of things to be done  
I must get the house papered & another

Coal of varnish on and get the house  
in order before time for gardening.

I expect to get some early cabbage &  
onions planted in boxes today.

I keep up my regular work on Sunday,  
Wednes. & Sat. but I do not think I  
shall take any extra teaching.

Miss Best wanted me to help in the  
Special Class for Country Bible  
Women which began last week &  
will continue 18 days but I felt I  
could not. If I could teach something I  
have taught lately I might but I  
did not feel like getting out new  
work with all my other work.

Sixteen women came & she invited  
four of the women here who does Country  
work. Yesterday the Sunday school  
was packed full I am sure there  
were at least two hundred women &  
children. I have nine teachers in my  
Sat. teacher's class. We are just  
finishing Matthew, will take up  
I. Cor. in a few weeks. Bill is  
getting out the lessons.

Mr. Baird has them printed each  
week I think he gets out about 1500 or

Sheels. Did I tell you that Dr. Mc Gill + his family of the M. E. Mission have been appointed to Pung Yang. You know they were at Gusan when we were there. The Methodists have given their work over to the Southern Methodists at Gusan. like India to the Canadian Presbyterian. Mrs. Mc Gill + I were very close friends and I shall be so glad to have her here. They have two such quiet nice little girls 12 + 10 year old. nice additions to our school, and a little boy Gertrude's age. And the M. E. mission is to have a new single lady come as soon as the river opens a Miss Miller from New England. We are always so glad to have new additions to our Community, whether in our mission or the M. E.

That reminds me. Cessa said in her letter that Mrs Todd had just been buried. I remember she was in bed sick when we left; Did she just continue to get worse.

It will be very sad and lonely for Bro. Todd. We haven't received the Independent for some little time, the mails are very irregular during this cold weather. The children were delighted to think Saulie got their letters, however they do not say any thing about getting the things they asked for.

They are getting on splendid in school. Olantha said she was going to work for 100 every day this week. They can read well enough to go in the Second Reader but I think I will have them

stay in the First for a while yet. We have two good Readers they haven't mastered yet. The Hiawatha and Finch, they were both given to the children, the former is used in the Minneapolis schools.

I shall surely be glad to receive Ralph Conner's latest book. We received a catalogue for books in which the book, "The men from Glengarry" is very highly recommended. I think we can read with great

in regard to his books nor sure  
we know who the Author is.  
His picture came out in the  
Interior, a fine looking man.  
I think I told you his name is  
Rev. Charles W. Gordon. I am trying  
to do more reading this winter than I  
have for some time - I hope I can  
continue, but it is doubtful.

I thought I had not written to you  
for some time but I find I mailed  
a letter Jan. 27. Oh! well I guess  
maybe you wont get tired.

I am glad if you like them & read  
them to Mother - I havent written her  
because I know she cant read  
them & she wont care if she  
hears read all I write home.  
I see Clara is still there, I wonder  
if Allie is still there & as  
faithful as ever. The children always  
speak of Allie in connection with  
Queen and Jess. I suppose  
because he was always driving them.  
I am sure he would be bothered more  
with them this winter than last if

They were there, Gertrude says,  
"Good old Spot - me can drive."  
This morning she took two dollies a  
mile on the hot horse, she said it  
was like she, Wilbur + Olivel rode on  
the donkey. Today is pleasant - so  
they will all have to take a long  
ride.

Did I understand that Mr. + Mrs.  
Ashbrook celebrate their Golden  
Wedding this month? You will tell  
me all about it.

I trust mother is still better -  
long before this, and all the  
rest are well.

Will send lots of love,  
and Gertrude says give Aunt  
Jennie 4 kisses + 3 hugs.  
Loveingly  
Dallie.



Pyeong Yang, Korea.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1902.

My Dear Sister Jennie:

Your letters of Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> were received Saturday. Every time a letter came I opened it with hesitancy fearing the worst. In a way I was prepared and yet I was not, we may think we are prepared for sad news but when it really comes it is a severe blow, God's grace is always sufficient and He never withholds it when we are in need of it.

Am sure mother was glad to go. She was lonesome after Father was taken away, and while she was in her right mind she suppressed her feelings in a wonderful way yet she was more lonesome than she let on and often I have found her weeping as if her heart would break. Now that both have gone home to glory and we know they are happy in the presence of the Master we never could bring them back nor must we grieve for them. Of course we can't keep our hearts back which is natural and helps us in our grief many times. The Bible says "Jesus wept." The tears blind

my eyes as I can scarcely see yet - I must not give way  
before the Koreans nor the children. As it is sad and hard  
to bear yet I am sure it is not as hard for me as  
it is for you children at home, to have seen mother  
gradually fail and now to see his dear old home for a  
while left in hands of strangers and then the sale  
Oh! how hard that will be to see his house looking  
things sold and scattered. I am in hope things can be  
so arranged that one of his boys can buy the place. I do trust  
it will not go into the hands of strangers. I cannot think  
very little in his house will be sold. You will divide things  
and above all things I trust. There will be any selfish or  
hard feelings but the family love & ties will always continue  
throughout the whole family. If any thing should fall to  
me I do not want it to be sent to Korea. It will be doing  
a great deal for any of you & look after any thing but I  
do not want any more things sent and I intend all your  
money to be left in America.

Indeed I do not think it queer that you told me every thing as  
you did I am as glad to know for I can in my mind



imagine just how much I love you  
thing you. How beautiful you people were  
and the Church - no one I could like for  
Father's Church - I liked and now I was hit  
a got an ~~at~~ and + dropped out. I was so glad  
for the ~~con~~ + I hope I shall meet  
you on a ~~very~~ ~~very~~ ~~very~~ + I will; many  
thanks for your ~~very~~ ~~very~~ ~~very~~ + I will.  
How much I love you and how much time  
at home with you + mother - as I did and now  
when I think that mother is gone, but I know  
she would love you as now I should love  
what work her and not ~~can~~ for the  
joy of your ~~very~~ ~~very~~ ~~very~~ and  
my child - I will love you; my wife  
always remember you, I will love you  
I would not and now I will love you by I will  
on his side + could not; but I will love you  
She says "Daddy is in heaven". She will  
always remember you. While it is sad and  
for us out here it is harder for you at home  
to be there and see it all and now to  
see the side and she love this is so  
to us all to know it. I know it is hard  
for you - how much I love you all and almost  
you that perhaps you have been had of going home  
and when you think what a satisfaction it  
has always been to you all and I hope you  
will, I will love you by going home on Sunday





and at him look you - know, as we are so + some  
is not ours or commonly held by the business & other  
Station. I shall be busy getting flowers & seeds  
as we are expecting to have a full lot of  
flowers this summer. The seeds I selected last  
fall are fine, quite a number are now in bloom  
and look so cheerful. Our winter seeds - some  
American but come so I can get the seeds in early  
The flower seeds from Henderson Hope will be  
along in time to plant. I do like to see out in the  
yard & garden, if it were not for my class work I  
have + let things about the house & have to look  
after I fear I could scarcely sustain the  
nervous strain, but has been some time makes  
three weeks to morrow it is, & does not expect  
to return until April 5<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>.

I am having a Roman sleep in the house since thieves  
broke in to Dr. Will's house last week. They were  
cavorts and ran as soon as they were discovered  
Dr. will shot them with the gun & gave them a fright.  
I can not say I am afraid but it is unusual especially at  
night.

I am sure you will tell me every thing what you do with  
the things at home who gets in the house & garden  
& what you do with the black.

I must close for this time. Hope you can make this  
so it brings out. I know it is beautiful but I am writing  
in one corner on my leaf.

I will get some paper really than the  
all soon while I go to leave my address by P. M. Class.  
I should like to talk at home as soon as I can  
a little get to 1. I send lots of love + sympathy  
to all



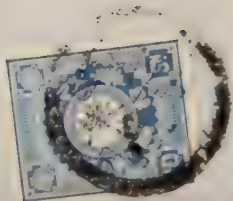


RETURN TO  
REV. W. L. SWALLEN,  
PYENG YANG, KOREA.

April 18, 1902

Mrs. Jennie Ashbrook  
Johnstown  
Licking Co.,  
Ohio

U. S. A.





Pyeng Yang Korea. April 18 1902.

Dear Sister Jennie;

Sallie wants me to write you a line and tell you that we have another little daughter come to join our happy circle. She is a fine specimen. Sallie thinks she is the finest baby in the world. I know she is. You ought just see her, with her big fat cheeks. The children are delighted, think there is no body like that baby. It was born on the early dawn of April 18.

Sallie will write you<sup>all</sup> about it in a few weeks. Both are doing nicely. I am so crowded with work that I have only time for a note this time.

Read much between the lines and you will know that we are all well, happy, and full of good cheer and hope, <sup>while</sup> ~~and~~ constantly rushed with work that several aught to do. We thought <sup>much</sup> of you at home during Mother's illness. It must have been a great tax upon you all. Though of course not reconed <sup>as</sup> such. Now that ~~that~~ <sup>they</sup> both are gone, our hope is that the children will do them honor in the lives we live after them. May we ever keep Christ before us and count God in all reconings.

Love and kindest wishes to yourself, Bro. Will, and all the rest.

Affectionately

Yours Bro,  
W. L. Swallen



My dear Annie,  
April 20, 1861

My dear Annie:

I think I will not  
you die day over baby's case,  
one week ago today my carriage  
was very much the same as  
with some other children, and I am  
getting along just as well as  
can be expected. Dr. Harris of the  
W. E. Mission is my physician &  
he says I must not think of getting  
up for two weeks so I have another  
week to rest in bed. Mrs. Lowell of  
our mission comes every day washes  
& dresses baby so we get on ever so  
well. I could not have better care any  
where in America I am sure

Olive is a dear little "nurse"  
as she says, she can kiss me as  
much when she comes home from  
school. They are all delighted with  
this little sister and so are we all  
She is a real little treasure  
is just like Gertrude when she  
was born, so fat and plump  
Gertrude seems such willing  
to give up being a baby now she  
says she is now mama's girl &  
not a baby, we haven't decided on  
a name yet. I guess we are too  
particular or I am rather. Will &  
the children are a Committee to  
find a name & then I have  
judgment when they report:  
You would laugh & hear some  
of the funny names the children

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sweet - for instance - "Silver Lake"  
 when they have a "stagnant"  
 all the names & flowers they ever  
 heard - the last was "Cotton"  
 Victoria, when I had asked  
 whether they name they had  
 the name "Saint" Cotton "Long" and  
 "Association" & ideas, you see -

Baby is ideal she sleeps & eats  
 not a bit of work as far

I think every day we wish Aunt  
 Fannie could come to me and  
 what a pleasure certainly would  
 be - well! you are coming some time  
 to visit - Mr. Russell - life - for Fannie  
 last Sat. I sent a small package  
 but this of course being by  
 the way I think I should say  
 how I am and how I hope you are

You just keep them + I can  
probably get value for them. The  
The little green boxes + steel  
are for you, I will you please hand  
over them to your Father's City  
book to Page + I can. I would  
very much at home for them  
+ would not mind they were under  
your umbrella out of pocket. I  
found them. Whether you see the  
them to each one I do not remember  
but it rather seems to me I did not  
I feel sure you found them up  
stairs in one of the bureaus when you  
were looking over things.

Now as to the few things that at home  
From what you said, I remember  
I think that there who have your  
mother things are to receive them



-back- The letter I see you take it  
 I send it as your own, mine + Nell's  
 pictures I want - kept - for our children  
 but - as I said I do not want - any  
 thing sent to Rome, if you can't  
 have them you can hang them up  
 somewhere, since you have the fun of  
 travelling like we are I'll go  
 with you might let Tizza hang it  
 on her wall also the picture of  
 the old house which I crayoned + hung  
 up since. The Aragon work tidy you use  
 it. It seems to me the few Roman  
 things I send - might were to go to you  
 however do what - you please with them,  
 how the bed shall matter + hang,  
 and stand. I had said I was  
 sorry to give to - letter but - I have  
 about changed my mind, however  
 I'm sure I shall I want -

I was thinking since she  
gets her mother's bedstead  
Bureau, stand, two feather beds  
etc. she may not care for my  
bedstead. I was also thinking  
in 7 or 8 years at the most -  
we will come home & no  
doubt I will stay in America  
for a number of years while  
the children are in school  
and then we will keep house  
& with our family we will need  
things. I was thinking if any in  
the family would care to take &  
use the bedstead & stand I  
would leave it that way otherwise  
if there is no other place for it  
why let Eliza have it.

You asked me what I wanted from

We don't intend to use any  
more of our money in America  
for I am sure it will take it all  
to educate this family of  
children coming on - and I am  
sure it will take all of our  
Salary to live out here -

I was just telling Will how  
convenient it would be when the  
children are put in school if we  
could only lay aside something  
each year for each one.

I did not get the letter finished  
Sat. - This is Monday noon Apr. 24.

Baby is 11 days old. I am able to  
sit up, but can not walk yet - the  
Dr. says I must stay in bed  
the whole week, so I shall do  
as she says.

home, of course I could not  
say - sorry before this you have  
disposed all the things &  
sold the rest, & what can you  
all have decided will be  
entirely satisfactory to us!

I understood the sofa & one or two of  
the parlor chairs you paid for with  
your school money so they would not  
be counted in the division.

Whoever wants the little trunk I  
left can have it. I have the key &  
will send it to you.

If there is any thing owing to me  
whether home hold things or money  
I wish you would look after it.

If it would not be too much trouble you  
can show what you don't want to use  
in your attic & the money we  
will put in the Loan

Baby is a darling. she is so  
good - but all her time in  
eating & sleeping -

We've <sup>been</sup> ~~cannot~~ <sup>fully</sup> decided but  
think we will name her  
Esther Lucile, what do you  
think of it?

Baby is no big sis I must  
close for this time -

Love this little thing you  
will -

Opie said "would God you  
knew we were sad about

Grandma leaving us, to send us  
such a darling baby to cheer us."

I think of you so much & my heart -

God sit & tell in our <sup>names</sup> ~~names~~ <sup>names</sup>  
and to you who will <sup>miss</sup> the dear old home  
so much. Lovingly  
Sallie



Pyeong Yang, Korea  
June 17. 1882.

My Dear Annie:

I was looking up  
when you wrote your last - letter -  
to me and I find it was on  
last of March soon will be  
three months - Oh! how long  
it does seem. Not one of our  
folks have written for so  
long it really seems like  
aged to me. Every time the mail  
comes & it comes once a week now  
I think certainly there will be a  
letter from home but - no not  
one. I think I must write again  
and something comes it out - so  
I have neglected to write for what I  
am sorry. But I find there is  
not the pleasure in writing when  
there are no letters coming

My hands are fuller than  
they were to be. I find a baby  
takes time and attention and  
can not be neglected. She is  
growing well but suffers so  
much from Colic and keeps me  
awake nights; last night I was  
up nearly all night with her  
so I do not feel the best today.  
I feel pretty well yet - I am far  
from being as strong as I should  
like. Our teacher, Miss Cely, had  
to close the school because of ill  
health & has gone to Seoul for  
treatment so the children are  
at home all day. You can imagine  
what that is, I have them get  
out a lesson in reading & one  
in Arithmetic in the morning &  
play the rest of the day. They go  
bare foot & have a fine time.  
Will come home one week ago



last Tuesday <sup>2</sup> will remain now  
until in September. The Summer  
Bible & Conference's classes began  
to-day they are for the helpers &  
leaders, Rev. Foote of the Canadian  
Presbyterian mission at Nonsan  
is here visiting and teaching  
& giving lectures in the classes  
he is with us also

Mr. Hutchinson of Sign Chum take  
dinner with us he is also  
assisting in the class.

As soon as this class closes  
which will be in fifteen days  
they hold a normal class for  
the teachers in all the

Primary Schools which will  
keep them busy until nearly August.  
Already the weather is very warm  
and Oh! so dry. We fear if we  
do not have rain soon there will  
be another famine. Every day

Mr Lan water carried several  
hundred gallons and make  
an attempt at watering our  
garden, The straw berries have  
dried up we tried to water  
them but it was quite  
impossible, Mr had berries  
for two weeks and they are  
not quite all gone yet I  
doubt to have a pudding  
tomorrow will. Strawberry sauce  
Today we had a delicious short  
cake - We will have Strawberry  
ice cream for supper today.  
Jones interview led, as usual +  
will try to finish today & send  
before the boat goes.

I have just finished making +  
printing the invitations for our  
Pier Wedding which we will have  
Monday evening at 8 P. M. June 23.  
I cut a pair of tin the size of a  
visiting card made holes in both

tie them with baby ribbon  
+ make the invitation on the  
white card, put them in a  
small envelope. Will is  
getting up the program  
will have a duet by Mr. + Mrs.  
Blair, Fuchs + Violin duet  
by Will + Miss Snook. Will will  
play a Fuchs solo, Mr. Blair  
Mrs. Baird + Mrs. Whitmore  
will give toasts; I will serve  
two kinds of ice cream two  
kinds of cake + candy.  
I haven't but my car gets  
away yet and clearing + fixing  
up the house today, will leave  
them down until the last of  
this month and then I intend  
to put the car tops + curtains  
all away until the middle of  
September, then they will all  
be here when I get them  
out at the fall clearing  
I am so glad I don't have any

Sewing & do, I don't feel as if  
I could do it this summer  
and then the children have  
plenty of clothes to <sup>do</sup> show for  
awhile. Will's Sister Sophy  
is sending a Winter Suit  
for Wilbur which I  
neglected to get when we  
were in America.

In a few days I will be  
busy with the fall & I am  
out currants are ripe &  
so are the goose berries and  
the Korean cherries will soon  
be here. We had a sample of  
our sour cherries, how delicious  
they were, we are going to have  
samples of plums & some  
apples. It is a lot of pleasure  
to watch them develop.  
My flowers are coming on nicely  
I hope to have a beautiful  
mudon next winter. Only  
planted the Colours Begonia

Fucia and 4 Primrose  
yesterday. I am very I put it  
off so but I never seemed to  
get the time to the  
the ground for the boxes  
properly. I took a lot of pins  
into the ground & shall try to  
follow directions carefully, but  
I may get a start.

How I do wish you could see  
our little Esther - Lucile  
She weighed 12 pounds at  
two months so you see she  
gains if she does cry  
I never had a baby to cry  
like she does, I think she  
will soon get over it for it  
wears me all but out.  
She has gray eyes & must  
look like the Swallows  
I don't think is as pretty -  
as Gertrude was. She is

changing so much, her hair  
looks as if it may be the  
color of Wilbur's.

As for the Saturday  
meeting here at 4 o'clock  
this P.M. I must close  
& get the house in  
order & get the children  
cleaned up. I can't tell  
you how much I should like  
to see you all my heart  
goes out to all so many  
times. I know never a day  
but I think of you all many  
times. Oh! how I long to  
get some word from home  
we all join in sending lots  
of love.

Sallie

Syng Yang, Korea  
July 9. 1902.

My Dear Fannie:

Your letter, may be, was most welcome, how long I had waited, it really did seem almost like ages, I am sorry I have been so negligent about writing but my hands are full and all my cares and concerns have been sadly neglected I must try and settle down to work each morning after baby has her bath & is asleep. I can't do one thing at night and really too tired after the children are asleep, usually baby stays awake until nine or ten o'clock, however, she is getting much better does not cry so much & will lie awake for a long time & be quiet now, what a precious little girl she is, how I wish you could see her while she is so sweet. Auntie says, "I can't understand why she is so sweet." Gertrude & Hubert have both had a little attack of Summer trouble, yesterday Gertrude had a temperature of 102, a dose of Castor oil

Tuesday July 18: - Here it is almost - a week + your letter not  
finished. - We have had a beautiful rain and I have my clem  
cabbage + flower plants set out. Today we are having our  
raspberries cut out - & the new vines tied up. we only  
have a few but they are in fine condition + have all the  
berries we could use. Now we are having Korean apricots  
which we like very much. when they are gone we will  
trouble to get very large red Korean peaches -  
we are now using our third planting of peas and second  
planting of beets. Also while I will have any quantities of lima  
beans. as we are to have the annual meeting here in Sept.  
and more to entertain six people it will take plenty of  
vegetables from the garden. We hear that Asiatic Cholera  
has broken out in Weifu five days journey from here  
on the Chinese border - if it should come here all our  
vegetables will be useless to us until it is over. already our  
station + the M.E. people are taking steps toward preparing  
for it. Seven years ago this summer, it swept away many  
people. we truly hope no people will be spared.  
we will do all we can to have these villages near us cleaned  
and disinfectants used freely every where

There are some of Gutzwiller's writings



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Seems to be effective. I just took her  
temperature this P.M. and she still has  
over 101 $\frac{1}{2}$ . It must be malaria. We will  
see the Dr. if she keeps on having a  
rise of temperature. William never misses  
him as he is now, he seems to have but  
little flesh. Still seems he will have to be  
blown up with a goose quill. We will be  
so glad when the hot weather is over.

as yet we have had very little rain  
enough to make excellent crops though.  
We had such a nice shower last evening  
and I was in hopes it would continue  
rainy to-day for I want to set out my late  
Cabbages + Celery also some flower seeds  
should be put out. I ran six or

started also the Passion flower, my choice  
flowers such as the Coleus + Begonia can  
not yet come up. My bed of Sweet-peas  
are beautiful also the Nasturtiums from  
my seed I gathered at Mrs. Umbrocks  
are fine. We have a fine garden  
and had quite a basket of small fruits  
I made raspberry jelly + canned the  
Gooseberries + also had 3 lbs of black currant  
jam. I made cherry jelly jam + preserves

These are some  
Guthrie's writing



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We had samples of three of your cherries & will have some  
apples and plums. I really don't know what we would  
do with out our yard & garden. It is real recreation to  
go out & see things coming on.

We were so sorry to hear of your loss and truly  
sympathize with you both - It does seem a bad  
thing. We should have there no mill buildings  
& destroyed and what a lot of energy it will take  
to raise the money to replace them. I expect before  
this they are rebuilt and Mill's business is going on as  
usual. I was glad Will rebuilt. I shall recall the  
independent mill industry to know who will rebuild & improve.  
Oh! how I do wish you could come to see you for a while  
it would do us so much good & we could better go on with  
our work. I just came from my borders. P. M. Class, the  
attendance is good & the interest keeps up if the  
days are hot. Some times I think I must have  
a rest but who is to take my work when I need rest -  
as tall as I. I must stop. I am hurried to go with  
Orrin & Miller to Mrs. Bards for a call.



the separation now since we came back, than I did  
before we went to America.  
I am truly thankful that our children keep as well as  
they do. They are all well now & I trust they  
will continue well all Summer.

One of his servants is now moving our lawn how  
good it sounds to hear a lawn mover. It  
really sounds & seems now like civilization.

I do not remember if I told you about the sad  
death of Mr. Appenzeller of the M. E. Mission.

You will probably read it in the paper.

He was on his way to Mokpo, Korea, to meet with  
the Translating Committee on a small Japanese  
boat. The first night out she collided with another  
boat of the same company & sank in 3 minutes.  
There was another American on board. He was an  
excellent swimmer & was picked up after being



in the water almost - one hour  
Mr. Appenzeller had been in Korea 17 yrs.  
returned from his second furlough to  
last September, his family remaining  
in America on account of the children's  
health; Mrs. Appenzeller with three of  
the children intended to sail the first of  
August. It is truly sad for the M. E.  
Mission to lose at once to such excellent  
workers Dr. Harris and Mr. Appenzeller.  
We, of course, can't understand it:

Aug. 1.<sup>st</sup> - Mr. Lee with his family + Mrs. Webb  
Mrs. Lee's works + Mr. + Mrs. Moffat,  
sail from San Francisco for Korea also  
with family six new missionaries to  
join our mission this fall.

Our teacher Miss Ogilby is obliged to  
resign on account of her health - so  
the School Board has called for the  
teacher whom Mr + Mrs. Lee had  
engaged to come next year a  
Miss Armstrong for the first - some  
place. We are in hopes she can come



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So our school can begin in September.

Our children are becoming wild. These days  
no longer we would let them have these two  
months' fall. + may be they would be stronger  
physically and do better in school when it does  
begin. Some time ago they had you a letter and I forgot to

send them in with mine so I will this time.

In all send love and very best wishes - and baby  
Esther sends a sweet little smile, she has so  
many these days. Just thinks she will be three months  
old Friday the 18th. I can scarcely realize it time passes  
so quickly - I think I shall put her in short clothes -  
next month - she likes to kick + her long skirts  
are only in the way - write as often as you can find  
time remember me kindly Very Lovingly,

To Mr. + Mrs. Ashbrook

Sallie

Pat. - July 18. I am wondering how far the rail by the ship which just came in  
Baby weighs 14 lbs this morning - not bad is it - a gain of 2 pounds a month?  
I am  
I am all very well. We had a very heavy rain last night. I can  
see that lots of fields are under water this morning. Write love Sallie

Pyeong yang, Korea  
Aug. 7. 1902.

My Dear Fannie:

Your good letter of

June 29. Came today. I was so  
glad to hear from you. I have been  
intending to write every day for so  
long but - you know how easily writing  
is neglected. It seems every thing  
else crowds out - letter writing and the  
days are so short - & so are the nights.  
We have been out - for several picnics  
on the river and been out - bathing  
so that has taken up some time.  
Yesterday and today I have been  
buying our stores for six months -  
in San Francisco, now that the  
order is finished & ready to  
send I feel relieved. I find  
since my children are getting  
larger it takes much more -  
I sent to San Francisco & bought a  
Stiel Range Mrs. Moffette selected  
it for me, what a comfort - it is  
our old stove was just about used  
up so we can appreciate this one

It is something like yours only a little  
larger with a reservoir. I have the  
old stove in the wash room, when I  
get the kitchen cleaned beyond  
& varnished it will be quite a  
respectable place - The other day I  
told the Cook I was going to quit  
talking to her about keeping things  
clean, she knew how I wanted things  
kept - & if she could not do it she  
must leave. These people have the  
least idea of cleanliness, Oh what a  
trial it is sometimes, and it  
certainly takes patience really more  
than I have to let things pass.  
In order to keep well and strong I  
just let things go to a certain  
degree go to bed early & get up  
late - & try to rest through the  
day and I am feeling quite  
well, we are all in excellent  
health; Will works in his  
study every day & says he  
never was so fleshy as this  
Summer. I haven't been as thin  
in flesh for a long long time

as I am now and my hair has  
fallen out - until I don't believe I  
have as much as you have -  
How sorry I am that you are not  
feeling well. Aunt Polly told me  
that you were there & was not well  
I felt quite uneasy for you had.  
I said nothing about it & I thought  
you was keeping it from me for  
fear I would worry - I am very glad  
you were so much better & are fleshing  
up. you at home has gone through  
some trials and I am sure you  
who enjoyed going home so much - feel  
it keenly. you have my sympathy - I assure  
you. I think of you all so much I don't  
know why it is but I think of home so  
much I think near a night when I  
waken but my thoughts go back to the  
old home and Father & mother I do  
miss them even though I am away  
out here. how much now you at home  
miss them. I am beginning to realize  
as the children grow so fast - how very  
soon we will be just where our parents  
were when the children take our place.  
Only a few more days and I will be  
thirty - nine. Perge will be fifty - five &  
Add fifty or fifty one. Mother ~~you~~ get the  
fastest time seems to - fly.

How nice for you to have Alice Ruddy  
& children to visit you. I hope ~~the~~  
singing prevented her coming - How  
much I should have enjoyed having  
you come to see me while she visited  
you, we are glad to hear of Fers'  
Success. I have heard from  
Ada since you were there. I don't  
think she should any more, but I  
did. The children have all come in  
the house and are bothering me so I  
can't write. - They seem so much  
more than hot days, suppose they  
feel the heat as much as we  
This is fearfully hot dry weather -  
we haven't had any rain for  
over three weeks. My tomatoes are  
drying up so I have water  
carried & water things  
yesterday I had 110 gallons  
carried for 9 Cents gold  
Today clouds are gathering so we  
are hoping it will rain.  
We are enjoying bathing in the  
rivers. The little river is just near  
so we can walk & be bathing would

be very pleasant were it not  
for so many Koreans bathing  
above where we bathe - when we  
go to the - Tai Tong river, big river,  
then we take a boat - go up  
above the city - to a sandy beach  
have our splash in the water -  
then eat our supper in the  
boat - while the man rows us  
down to the gate. We have been  
to the big river four afternoons &  
three to the little river.

The children enjoy it so much &  
we are anxious to have them learn  
to swim. Gertrude does much better  
than either of the other two.

This week, Mr. Holt & his family in one  
boat: Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Miller  
& with Dorothy Hunt - in another  
six gentlemen & two boys in  
another boat - went up the river  
for a ten days' outing. We can't  
go this summer but - we hope to some  
time. It would be such a lot of  
fun I should think. They take Colo-

Chairs, plenty of cushions along  
They are going to read play games  
Swims & rest - they said. We  
went down to the river to see  
them off. Our teacher Miss Ogden  
has had to give up her school  
& go to America. We are so sorry  
she must go to Seoul for treatments  
& the Drs. advised her to go at  
once - Mr. & Mrs. Lee have  
engaged a Miss Armstrong  
to come out but it was so sudden  
I fear she won't be ready to  
come on such short notice.  
The Lees & Mrs. Webb left San Francisco  
Aug. 2. Mr. & Mrs. Moffett leave  
Aug. 9. So they will soon be here  
& we will be so glad to have them  
back. The Annual meeting will  
be held here in September. We  
are promised to entertain six  
guests. I wonder sometimes  
what I can get for so many to  
eat. It will make the Cook sweat.



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I intend to attend the  
meetings if things are not so  
mucky close.

I wish you could see our darling  
baby. She has quit crying  
& is just as good as can be.  
She is very plump & fat - &  
grows every day. The other day Will  
said she thought she looked like  
her Grand Mother - Willison. She  
has small eyes but they are  
pretty & bright. I have let her  
short-dresses and she does  
enjoy kicking which she does  
a lot of it. She always has a  
smile for every body and often  
laughs out-loud.

It certainly is fine to hear the  
Telephone. How nice for Addie to  
call you when Mary & Perry were  
there & you could go out for a visit.  
My! but I wish we could have one  
& could talk together - when ever we  
want to. I fear if I was so, I could

visit you all I would get little  
else done - I keep up my class  
book three times a week besides  
teaching the Servants every morning  
I find I Cor. very difficult  
indeed and I must close this  
letter & look over my lessons  
I have to begin early in the  
morn so it will look in -  
I must soon write to Della &  
Coyall they write us such nice long  
letters. She says they are so tender  
& Miss Fells & Mother so much.  
How I do wish Lean & Perya would write  
I mean to write to them if they don't  
write to me - Did Ana leave? I  
travelt - heard a word of either Forest  
or Ana since we left - Coyall  
thinks as if she was going to  
Oberlin - & I wonder if Essee  
will go away to school this fall.  
I trust you can find time to  
write real often - It does cheer  
me up a lot to get letters from  
home mail send lots of love  
& baby sends a sweet smile to  
Aunt Jennie & Uncle Will Loughsallie

Dear Jane, Korea  
July 25, 1802.

My dear Jane:

I don't remember if  
I have written since I received  
your letter. I am sorry I have  
neglected my writing so much.  
This morning I am in a  
condition to walk only a  
few hours at night.

For the last week I have  
suffered agonies with  
hemorrhoids. I suffered  
so much finally I had  
Dr. M's remedy but I  
have had no rest since  
they hurt nearly all the  
time. I really am so  
nervous I scarcely think

I was some better yesterday  
but felt miserable last &  
night & today. However I  
think I am a little better  
today. I have so much to  
do getting ready for the  
annual meeting which  
convenes here next  
month. We miserably  
have six guests; four  
to sleep here & no more  
to take their meals  
I trust. I will be entirely  
recovered soon there in a  
few days so I can work.  
I saw a new man woman  
today I have not seen before.  
See how she is doing it  
she has washed for me

to suppose the  
things will come out all  
right. The rest of the  
family are well.

Baby Esther is a  
treasure she is so  
good, seldom ever cries  
at four months she weighs  
fifteen pounds.

We have had a delightful  
summer no real hot-  
weather and now we feel  
that autumn is drawing  
near the cool nights  
make us draw up the  
blankets.

I have had the head  
ache & it has affected  
my eyes & I can

Scarcely see, I can't  
neither read nor see  
today & with this  
with my eyes partly  
shut. I will write  
again soon don't  
worry about me  
it is nothing serious  
Trust you are  
well.  
With all love in  
Dudley  
Saller

Pyung Young

Aug 5. 1900

My dear Aunt Annie,

I would like to see you very  
much. I hope birthday will  
come day after - tomorrow.

It rained a little today.  
We went to the river  
the other day and had  
such a good time.  
I send lots of love and  
kisses to you and  
Uncle Will. F

From

Yours  
Boys  
Willie

Wm. W. W.



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This is Gertrude's letter  
She says it is full of  
love



Pyeong Yang, July  
8. 1902

Dear Aunt Jennie:

I want to see you very much.  
I wish you could sit ~~here~~ <sup>with</sup> me, she ~~can~~  
see. I wish that you could  
come to Pyeongyang and see us  
Dona & Wash with our Blue  
the horse and the puppys  
and the F. L. L.

Yertunde is writing you  
I hope you have lots of flowers  
we have been swimming at the big  
river and have had boat-riding.  
We have no teacher our teacher  
has gone to ~~the~~ America  
because she is sick.

Our little donkey is carrying  
little loads but we can't ride  
him just yet.

Yours truly

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Wea. Mon. JULY 14, 1902 Ther.

Rainy Cloudy day -  
we read under Kenan  
manship John  
Dr. Wells left - at 9 A.M.  
for Syn. Ch. in request  
from Dr. Shanks by  
a telegram.

In the P.M. I bought  
the plants out  
Strawberries got some  
beautiful plants from  
Dr. Wells.

at 2:30 the station  
had a meeting here  
nothing special was brought  
up. Will read his  
report on the helpers  
training class. The  
subject of the Cholera  
was brought up + Mr. Hunt  
attempted to confer with  
Dr. Follmer as to the  
getting of ridings etc.

I consulted in the  
morning the first 8 Verses  
of 34 Ps. also re consulted  
I Cor. 13.

Wea. TUES. JULY 15, 1902 Ther.

Wea. SUN. SEPT. 28, 1902 Ther.

A beautiful day -

we read the S. S. lesson  
Cor. 12: 1-13.

Miss Webb taught the  
Children's Sunday school.  
I had the S. S. a Marguerite  
Chapel Mrs. Hunt &  
Miss Armstrong was  
here - Miss Armstrong  
came home with us  
to dinner.

We went to church at  
4-30. Mr. Noble preached  
from Col. 1: 16. Read his  
sermon. He so seldom  
comes that we were glad  
to hear him.

We returned at 6-  
Halifax on the  
road are. B. E. VIII,

X. XXIII. XXXIV. XCI. C.

Col. I wish we could repeat  
all that we have done  
every Sunday.

I read some in English  
but - could not remember

Wea. MON. SEPT. 29, 1902 Ther.

Orville repeated I Cor. 13:

Mr. Morris took breakfast with us. Our conversation was about the oppression of these people by the officials.

Mr. Jordan prayed for had an outline & thoughts on John 10:

I had a carpenter make a box for overshoe. Spent most of the forenoon studying & marking my Bible.

Miss Armstrong began to teach we are all very glad to have her here.

I put some notes to call on Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Sharrock also on Mrs. Webb & Mrs. Lee.

also on Mrs. Armstrong at the school house.

After we had our worship the children were in

and I read Miss Storie's letter in the Sep. No. of M. C. Church's Magazine also "The Destroyer" by August F. Saccac.

The articles are full of interest but dreadful to think about.



Wea. TUES. SEPT. 30, 1902 Ther.

Arose at Six breakfast at 7.

Went in concert P. 2:30.

Mr. Morris led us prayer.

Roman prayers. read John. 17:1-12.

I had the carpenter fix the  
shelves in the window for my  
plants - wrote up my diary  
read a little & the forenoon  
was gone -

Read, - "Moul-Pelee in  
its might" - by

Prof. Angelo, etc. price of  
Philadelphia -

Heard the children  
in the summer house.

read for our

workshop Matt. 20:17-34.

Received letters from  
Miss Hellman. and  
Sophy -

Wea.

WED. OCT. 1, 1902

Ther.

Olinath repeated Ps. I.  
Wilbur " Ps. C.

Korean prayers we read

John 17:13 to the end-

Bathed baby - then got out  
the paint mixed & got  
it ready to paint -

Helped Wun Do's mother

Spent a lesson for her class  
& looked over mine for the  
afternoon class.

Went to class at 2 P.M.

The class was small.

Tangut Luke 12:35-44.

The principle thought was  
the importance of watching  
and readiness for Christ's

Coming - Called a united

& Mrs. Lee's, Miss Miller

called & took supper

with us Mrs. Lee called

for a few minutes

I heard with regret that Mrs. Wals

was coming back & bringing her boy.

I heard the children's

Arithmetic lesson.

Had our worship from Matt. 24:1-14

I read a text. At 7 P.M.

Mr. Morris & Mr. Marshall of

Chicago called - he had been

two prayer meetings, visited P. Y.

11 hours.

Wea.

THUR. OCT. 2, 1902

Ther.

A beautiful day -

Wrote a letter to Mother & Grace

Wrote John. 14:1-3. Wrote B. I.

Wrote - Myself 14:10.

For morning prayers reviewed 14:17.

Had a letter + writing.

Wrote the long explained letter

to Ebenezer Donaldson & began

me to finish.

Wrote the letter + to Mary Marcell

Conrad for December +

Spencer 14:11 - P. M.

I find while on visit

that the girls are much

more on Kinsler garden -

They had a very pleasant

time.

At supper, the children

had their dinner

season. I never knew

a boy or girl had such

enjoyment & interest.

Wea.

FRI. OCT. 3, 1902

Ther.

Arise at 5:15 breakfast  
Seven. - We repeated in  
Concert B. 18: The last  
Morning Mr. Morris was  
with us for breakfast.  
We began at 10:18 in the  
Korean Church - I went  
in - "in our own" "Kinder Garten  
party". Spent most of the  
evening in making  
ice cream & helping  
with the cakes, etc. -  
After dinner got the  
house in order and it  
was O. O. Clark. Was very  
Mrs. M. C. Gill & Willie could  
not come - Willie's wife  
Bronchitis - Those who came  
were - Mrs. Shanks & Ella, Mrs. Hunt  
Dorothy, Richard & William, Mrs. Webb  
Mr. Lee, Keyto, Wm. Mergel, Gray,  
Sot & Higgins, Mrs. R. C. Rull &  
Alden, Miss Miller Mrs. Ann  
Myrtle & Stella. We had a  
very enjoyable time playing game.  
Served ice cream & cake  
after that the children stood  
up & sang "Little Feet be Careful"  
After supper, The children had their  
number lesson of their  
our worship - Matt. 21:28-32.

Wea.

SAT. OCT. 4, 1902

Ther.

Threatening rain - then cleared  
 off - wind blew furiously -  
 Ullivelli + Wilbur repeated  
 Ps. 28: trying to reflect it will  
 not be one mistake - For Koram  
 worship we read John 18: 12-24.  
 After job's talk - I sent  
 the men working studying my  
 S.D. lesson. I Cor. 12: 14 + 31.  
 The language in Eng. is hard  
 - it is worse to get it out in  
 Koram. - Tried for the first  
 time giving the children  
 their bath before dinner -  
 at 2 o'clock taught my  
 class - every one I think  
 will certainly spend more time  
 on the study of the lesson  
 and helping me I surely  
 wish so I can be a member  
 of the teachers - Kosi + Suresh  
 were absent -

Afternoon I called at  
 Mrs. Lee's home -  
 they had a party - received  
 a letter from Bill - will  
 be glad when he comes  
 back - long weeks since he  
 left - The mission reports to the Board  
 and to the other churches -  
 I hope to see the lesson -  
 I hope to see the lesson -  
 I hope to see the lesson -

Wea. SUN. OCT. 5, 1902 Ther.

Ulinette repeated 23. 2. 75.  
Wilbur " 1<sup>st</sup> 78.

For Korean worship we had  
the S. S. Lesson I Cor. 12: 14-31  
to commit. Verse 31.

Mrs. Webb taught the  
Children's Sunday School.

Went to the Korean  
Mrs. Hunt left her class  
The main thought - to be  
Cordelia with the gift of  
herself - "Cordelia earnestly -  
the best gift" In the P. M.  
rested. The poor woman who  
had asked when her husband and  
her choice came with a  
of eggs or were I could in fact  
then you had a little packet of  
rice - Mr. Moore is preached

Wea. MON. OCT. 6, 1902 Ther.

WE read John 11: 35-

A beautiful day, coal walks  
all night & dried.

After baby's bath, sent - Mabel's  
letters in order. A Christian

man from Wonsau called to  
see me, my old Aunt's sister.  
She seemed very happy to see me.

In the forenoon a message

came saying the folks  
were coming from the  
meeting. At 5-30 they came  
they had a most - pleasant  
voyage. Mabel was about to be

test - needles & say we were  
that he had seen you just  
last week or the day -

L. & Mrs. Parsons.

Came to visit - the  
work. Mr & Mrs. came to  
join the Syn Church Station -  
Mrs. Noble called & took  
tea with us.

Abinelli, Wilbour & I

Called to see Mrs. Matt.

After supper we had our

Disciples - Matt. 22: 18-33.

Will tell me all about  
the mission meeting.

Wea. TUES. OCT. 7, 1902 Ther.

We finished reading the  
18<sup>th</sup> chapter of the instructions  
booklet - After - I talked  
with + looked after the book  
Gertrude + called at  
Miss Best's - see Mr. + Mrs. Reams  
They impress one as very  
pleasant people. They accepted  
my invitation to take dinner with  
us each day. We called at  
Mrs. Lees + met Mrs. Baird,  
but not Dr. + Mrs. Parsons.  
Then we called on Mrs. Miller.  
After dinner Gertrude + I  
went to see Mrs. W. + will  
have a pleasant visit + cups  
of tea with her.

Miss Chase made us a  
pleasant call. Learn  
for Syn. Chur in Sat-  
Mornings - After our worship  
I had the Children's Sun-  
day lesson + then I quit.



Wea.

WED. OCT. 8, 1902

Ther.

Clinton - returned Ps. 83

Miller Ps.

Frederick John 9:10.

Will II Cor. 3-4.

James I John 1:2.

For Roman worship we had the  
 doctrine + teaching of John 14:  
 After a long time I washed about  
 some washing - looked up to them  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kearns came  
 over for dinner - They seem  
 very nice and we of A. H. & S. Synagogue  
 after I had left - at 10 o'clock  
 I went - about the hour  
 reading 14 members. Mrs. Miller  
 came asked me to take a class  
 in the school - I consented to take  
 one & leave with Will & I called  
 to see Dr. & Mrs. Pearson -  
 Will left the children & I  
 went to the Roman prayer  
 meeting. Elder King read Rom. 8:28.  
 Mr. Moffatt & I were very glad &  
 thankful to have that God had  
 visited us during his absence.  
 Dr. Pearson spoke on Rom. 1:8-11.  
 It always was one of the most be-  
 lievable in Roman they always  
 give us a warm greeting  
 we had our first offering -  
 Cut the beans.

Wea. THUR. OCT. 9, 1902 Ther.

A beautiful day -  
Each refreshment was  
we read John 17!  
I was busy putting the  
house in order.  
Dr. + Mrs. Parsons of  
Fairfield, Ill. and  
Mr. Whitmore were here  
for dinner had been  
to visit King's grave  
+ came direct here.  
In the afternoon I  
finished Jannie's letter +  
wrote to Miss Hillman.  
Will + I went to  
prayer meeting - held at  
Dr. Moffatt's led by  
Mr. Barrett of Saker  
his subject was  
Sanctification scriptures  
Lesson Rom. 7.  
Dr. Parsons gave some  
helpful remarks.

Wea.

FRI. OCT. 10, 1902

Ther.

A beautiful day -  
Went to church at P. 18:  
For morning worship read John 14:  
Left to go to ball planned  
for dinner read a letter  
by Numbers. Sent to  
hand ling the Colony  
Mr. + Mrs. Kearns were  
here for dinner.  
Packed up some patterns  
for Mrs. Kearns.  
Wrote a letter to Lulu  
Read a letter from  
in Numbers.  
Mrs. Hunt + Mrs. Shearles  
called. I promised to  
take Mrs. Armstrong to  
board while Mrs. Hunt  
is in the country.  
Left to supper had our  
worship. Matt. 23: 24 to end  
24: 1 -  
Had the childrens  
number lesson

Wea.

SAT. OCT. 11, 1902

Ther.



Wea. MON. OCT. 13, 1902 Ther.

Olivette repeated I Cor. 13 -  
For Korean worship we heard  
her out here of the 18<sup>th</sup>  
Chapter - the meeting  
Mrs. Blair came over to  
borrow some things for  
the Evening Social  
P.M. - After I bathed baby  
I looked after the  
dinner made chocolate  
ice cream for  
Mrs. Blair,  
Mrs. Sharrock &  
Mr. Sargent were  
here for dinner  
I was free for the -  
P.M. My class  
went to Mrs. Lee

Wea. TUES. OCT. 14, 1902 Ther.

Wea. WED. OCT. 15, 1902 Ther.



Wea. THUR. OCT. 16, 1902 Ther

was up very early  
helping to get Matt  
ready to go by boat  
to Antak.

Life at 100' level.  
Sailing to Ngone six  
weeks. It is tiresome  
enough to be alone - that  
is the hard part of  
missionary life.

Called at Mrs. Lee's to  
say good bye to ~~Mr~~ Mrs  
Parsons but they had  
gone

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FRI. OCT. 17, 1902

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Wea. SAT. OCT. 18, 1902 Ther.

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SUN. OCT. 19, 1902

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A beautiful day  
a busy Sunday morning  
is useful - For Service  
worship we read the S.S.  
Lesson. Lev. 13: 4-13 -  
I went in a chair to the  
new church at the new  
Sunday school which  
began for the first time  
there. It filled my heart  
with joy to see so many  
I organized with 4 classes  
probably the attendance  
was about 80

I was happy to have the  
class of young women.  
In the P.M. we went  
to Ang. Service.

Dr. Halls conducted the  
meeting according to  
the Episcopal School.

Pyeong yang, Korea  
Dec. 4. 1902.

My Dear Annie:

I should have written before  
this but - I haven't had time for  
any thing except - looking after  
the house and baby + that only  
just as little as I could for I  
have been teaching in Lu-huan's  
Bible class almost - two hours a  
day beside the time it took for  
preparation and that was a good  
deal of time. I taught the "Life  
of Christ" from a translation by  
Stalkers. Each day I had from  
ten to fifteen questions made out  
and then for the review I used  
them. There were 42 in his class  
and the average was 87%. This  
was the advanced division there  
are 4 divisions the 2<sup>nd</sup> was so  
large it had to be divided into  
classes. There were 302 enrolled  
in the class so this was in

largest class we have ever had  
and my class was the best &  
most satisfactory I have ever  
had. yesterday I had an  
examination of what we had  
taught in the nine lessons  
I asked them five & six questions  
each and nearly all answered  
well, only two failed.  
One old woman eighty years old  
came again and she did as  
well as the young women  
It is wonderful. What a clear  
mind she has & how well  
she can read. Her answers  
were as clear as any of  
the women. I am not certain but  
I think she came about 25 mi.  
We are sending a young woman  
to school from Mill's district  
She is very bright & promising.  
We also have two poor little orphans we  
have taken out of Italy. had them in a  
good Christian family they are here in  
the girls day school and able to  
enter the second grade.

Will came home last Fri. night after  
 an absence of six weeks, he is well  
 & looks well & at. does not look as if  
 he had been away long -  
 he will be home now until in Feb.  
 The Bible Training class for men  
 begins Dec. 17. & I think continue  
 until in Jan.

These cold windy days remind us that  
 Winter is near. I have all my  
 winter's vegetables in the cellar  
~~what~~ a nice lot I had - wish you  
 could have some of the celery I  
 have so much - Today our boy began  
 pasting up his windows when that  
 is all done I will feel quite  
 ready for the cold weather.  
 now time for class is over I must  
 do some sewing. I really haven't  
 done any time in some time  
 only a patch & fix up some of our old  
 cloths. Wilbur has come to his  
 very last pair of pants and they  
 are his good "Sunday pants" so I  
 must get a pair finished this week

Esther is growing so fast, it won't be long  
until I'll have to make her some  
clothes. She sits quite a lone but  
takes a tumble now & then. I'm a  
happy, sweet baby she is, only wish you  
could see and enjoy her too.

Just as soon as I can I want to get  
her picture and send it  
with I had it to send for  
Christmas - I must close  
for this time as I want to  
get the mail off on this boat.  
Be all gone in sending love  
and best wishes -

Your sister  
Dallie Swallen



Pyeong yang, Korea.

Dec. 30. 1902.

My Dear Jennie:

Today before Christmas  
our hearts were gladdened to receive  
the loving remembrances for each  
one. It was so thoughtful and kind of  
you to remember us, and how much  
it is appreciated, we all send our  
many thanks and baby Esther her  
sweet little smile. She thinks the  
little Chamois shoes are especially -  
She wants to eat them all at once.  
Ella too remembered us. I am so glad  
for the group of the Sunday High  
School girls - many thanks - I have it  
on my desk and often look at each  
face. Listen at the Continent will  
find you - He said "who is that nice  
looking girl?" pointing at you in the  
group. Only wish I could see her  
there. I am going to make an effort  
to send some pictures from the  
next reunion - The children on the  
dunkies etc -

We had a very happy Christmas  
The Community met at our house  
Christmas Eve at 4 o'clock  
We had a Cold Supper - hot coffee.  
The waitress sent in so I only had  
a little to prepare. We had  
bread & butter, salad, Veal loaf -  
Cake & fruit salad, salted nuts &  
Candy all home made candy -  
I had two little tables for the 17 children  
after supper all the stoves & tables  
were cleared away the children seated  
in front of a little platform we had in  
our dining room with a screen &  
flag brunting for decorations. then the  
groom folks sat back of the children  
The children all spoke pieces  
dialogues and sang songs. They  
did splendid too. the closing song  
was "the Wonderful Tree" when they all  
marched into my bed room where I  
had a tree, as they closed the  
song the door bell rang and in  
came "Old Santa Claus" with a big  
bag. Mr. Lee was Santa. we had

planned to have only a few presents for the children, The school children had made little things at school for all the parents & others so they helped in decorations. Before eight o'clock all were gone home & we were ready to go to bed. It took us all next day to get the house cleaned up & things put back, of course I did not hurry and the servants went to the Christmas Services at the Church. I was really tired enough to rest for it had taken a lot of work to get every thing ready - Christmas night prayer meeting was held at Mr. Hunt's as usual there -

Sat. Afternoon our Community was surprised and saddened by the death of Dr. Rankin a member, a Secretary, rather of the Southern Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. He came to the East to visit Missions & mission work last Summer. He had Cheroke in

China and recovered from it after  
a long sickness. Then he came to  
Korea. Came to P'yung Yang  
to stay only a few days, came on  
Wednesday evening was to leave on  
Monday but the boat he was going  
on burned just out side Chemulpo  
so did not come of course, while he  
was waiting the was stricken with  
pneumonia & died last Sat. - our  
week tomorrow, was buried here  
in the foreign Cemetery on Monday  
after noon he was the guest of  
Mr. & Mrs. Moffatt. The whole  
Community did all they could for  
him. He had a most frail  
constitution & over did himself  
He was a very large strong looking  
man of about sixty years old &  
little did we think that he  
was so frail. Mrs. Moffatt did not  
know it until after he was taken  
sick, when he told her how many  
injuries he had been sick, & how much  
he had suffered during his life

Our whole Community was so  
taken with him from the first, I do not  
think we ever had a sermon visit our  
Station was more enjoyed in the success  
of the work + was as great a blessing  
to us all. The last Sermon he preached  
was on Sunday Dec. 17 to our little

Community - from Luke 11: 13; - on  
<sup>that day he preached 3 times</sup>  
Monday he was taken sick + went  
home in less than two weeks. Sat:  
Evening after he was gone we met +  
covered the Casket - which Mr. <sup>Leah</sup>  
+ the Cartwrights made, we covered it  
with muslin then with Roman white  
silk draped it on the side + top,  
we sent flowers + green leaves  
+ almost covered the lid so it  
looked very pretty. We feel so sorry  
for his poor wife who is quite alone  
as they had no children.

Again we are reminded how uncertain  
is life but how certain is death;  
if we are all as well prepared to  
leave this world as Dr. Kaubien  
seemed to be. We had him to  
supper one evening + he visited my  
class. The children were carried

with him Gertrude send a card for  
him for Christmas but he never got  
to see it.

Fri- Jan. 2. - yesterday was New Year.  
I was home all day, got out to  
prayer meeting in the evening  
we had a few Korean callers  
but since we have done away with  
the custom of receiving all the  
Christian on Sat. day not so many  
came. yesterday we were surprised  
to find Gertrude breaking out  
with chicken pox. She had not been  
feeling well + was careful about her  
food + garden castor oil. She is  
up all the time + does not  
seem sick. Suppose we are in  
for all them to have it. Baby  
Arthur has had quite a serious  
time with the vaccination. I had  
her vaccinated + thought it was not  
taking so Dr. Wells came + vaccinated  
her again + they they both took with  
vengeance, poor little thing she was  
real sick but is quite over it now  
for what I am glad. I must close + send this

low. sallis  
milly lots of  
again  
milly  
milly

My Dear Jennie:

I had intended to write last week but it seemed every thing else crowded it out, I am truly busy these days, Will is away for a six weeks trip look our "house boy" who does his cooking, I have miss Armstrong our teacher to board while Mrs. Hunt is in the country and Mrs. Blair takes her dinner with us while Mr. Platt is away and with other company now & then it keeps me busy keeping the house clean and I nearly always have to set the table and arrange things. Today for dinner I had Mr. Barrett of Tai-gu who is visiting here and other stations, I have to see to every bit of the garden and every thing else on the place, just finished having a shed built to put the feed for the cow in to keep it out of the rain, have had the wood work on the out side of the house painted had one coal + will have another as soon as it clears up again. This morning began having trenches dug to store some winter Celery (see my Celery has done well and I will have quarters for winter use. We have such a nice lot of vegetables for winter so much winter Cabbage and have enough potatoes to do us the whole year, are having nice Sweet potatoes which Mr. Baird raised on the school ground. I have my plants all in the house and the others ready to put in the cellar. Do you put your geraniums in earth when you put them in the cellar? Some say hang them up without any earth about them. I am going to keep my heliotrope over by putting it in the cellar. I have two fine plants in the house one is now in flower. The Japanese hibiscus is blooming it is quite pretty but disappointing because it only stays out one day & then closes. Our Sweet Violets are true to their name I have a long box the length of one window full to a pot of one row

The rooms they are in are full of the sweet fragrance  
Some of my seedling Cypripediums are blooming  
are very pretty and so interesting to watch them to see  
what they are to be like. We have a queer plant it was  
marked on the paper "Viola" is now in bloom. is neither  
a violet nor a pansy just about - between I should  
think, is quite pretty. I have five primroses, how pretty  
they are, are not yet blooming but the plant is pretty  
itself. I want to see what you do with your Acheuses  
I have about ten or a dozen plants. Do you set them  
out in the yard in the spring when they are so  
large what do you do with them in the fall?  
During the winter how do you water your plants -  
every day or just once or twice a week? I do not  
trust the Germans to water mine I am sure they  
would soon kill them. The flowers out side seem  
to be making a struggle for life. Last week was the  
first frost and it did make things look brown  
however the ~~Cosmos~~ Cosmos is still looking quite  
pretty and so is the Mignonette, Today it is raining no  
doubt after this rain it will turn colder and then I will  
have to see after getting our vegetables into the cellar.  
The beautiful clear days which we have been having made me  
homesick for a long drive in the buggy what a treat it  
would be to take a ride. The children have two donkeys which  
are so gullible I am going to buy them each a little saddle  
& let them learn to ride alone. Will looks so comical  
on the little donkey but he says it is fine to ride  
and says a lot of praise - Mrs. Esley of the M.E. Mission  
has a cart & horse which she uses in her itinerating,  
How often our children talk about it & wish we could have a  
good riding ride in the buggy. Just this morning Gertrude  
was talking about Grandpa & how he used to lift her on his lap.  
She will always remember them both - I am sure  
How glad we are that the children will have these  
recollections of Grandma & Grandpa & the old home



I would have - have missed that year at home for any thing  
 I only wish I could have stayed with Mother until she had  
 It is so lonesome for me even this far away and although  
 they were well - themselves I was always expecting word from  
 them through some one and I always could think of  
 our home as it was but it is all so changed and  
 everyone but - you seem so busy to write. I only wish  
 they could take a little time it does me reach a lot of  
 good, some times I think I will write some things  
 they don't. I am sending each one a Report - and would wish  
 if I only had time - I must begin to study for the Fall  
 Bible training class which begins Nov. 22. I teach the  
 "Life of Christ" an hour each day - Our new Sunday  
 School at the new church is well attended from  
 beginning yesterday 80 Sunday school sheets were  
 distributed, I have 37 enrolled in my class.

Monday Nov. 10. - One package I began this letter - but it  
 is still unfinished. I want to go in this boat today -  
 This morning we received an announcement of the marriage  
 of Will's nephew Arthur Swallen to a lady in Albany  
 he is the music teacher in Canton, O. Also a letter from  
 Will's sister Sophy. She sent such a cunning little  
 hood to baby. It would do your heart good to see our sweet  
 baby she is just as good as she can be always has a  
 smile for every one.

Just at present Dr. Mr. Leil and his Secretary is visiting  
 our station, he is spending four years visiting mission  
 + mission work, as an independent + unbiased observer  
 he expects to write three books reports of his work.  
 Last week he gave us an interesting talk one evening  
 about the great revival in Australia in which he  
 + Mr. Perry of the Moody School were helping

It was wonderful - a wonderful awakening of the  
soul & work of the Spirit. Yesterday he spoke at  
our English services on Rev. 3: 14-22, and gave us  
just a glance of something of what the Ancient  
Laodicean City was and as he saw it in  
its ruins and an account of his sitting on  
the throne of one of the highest Rabbis in  
Jerusalem with the Rabbi in his beautiful  
long garments - he said he could get just a little  
glimpse of what Christ meant when he said to  
the Laodicean Church the wickedest of all the  
Seven Churches, "Do him that ever cometh; will I  
go out & sit on me in my throne" He is a splendid  
speaker & one I think would never tire of hearing  
him. He is a young man from Philadelphia &  
I think is sent out by <sup>Christians</sup> rich men to see the mission  
work with unprejudiced eyes and report to them just  
as he finds it. Since he came he has made a trip in  
the country, would not take any foreign food & did not  
doubt to take any bedding but Mrs. Miffatt persuaded him  
to. It was not two days until he sent back for some  
foreign food. It reminds me of the "Bishop's Conversion"  
I must close and send this to the office  
hoping to hear from you soon. I shall soon see  
again. I will send lots of love & Esther a  
Sweet-Smile. Will is still away now to back  
until in Dec. Lovingly  
Sallie

The children are sending  
their letters for Santa Claus  
if you will please put  
them in the paper.